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DETERMINED CHINESE RESISTANCE IMPEDES JEHOL INVASION



BRITISH COASTGUARDS AID 580 DISTRESSED SHIPS

80 Vessels Warned Of Danger During 1932

London, To-day.
During 1932, Coastguards took life-saving action in the case of 580 vessels reported in distress off the coast of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
In the same period, 80 vessels observed to be standing into danger were warned by signals and enabled to alter course.—British Wireless Service.

BRITAIN FIRM ON IRISH QUESTION

Mr. Thomas Declines Partial Settlement.

FRIENDLY NEGOTIATIONS STILL POSSIBLE

London, To-day.

Asked if he would be prepared to negotiate with the Irish Free State Government with a view to exempting the equivalent Irish product from special duties in return for the withdrawal of Irish duty on British coal, the Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, in the House of Commons said that an attempt to reach a partial settlement of the Anglo-Irish dispute on the suggested lines, was not likely to be useful.

At the same time, as he had frequently explained, the United Kingdom Government remained desirous of a friendly settlement with the Irish Free State, provided on the basis that the validity of the existing obligations was accepted.—British Wireless Service.

CAMPBELL TO REST ON HIS LAURELS.

Doctors' Orders Not To Use Sprained Wrist.

London, To-day.
Sir Malcolm Campbell has ended his speed record attempts, as doctors have ordered him not to use his left wrist.

It was so badly sprained that he could only use one hand to control his car, "Bluebird," when establishing his fresh world record of 272.108 miles per hour at Daytona Beach on Wednesday.

The "Bluebird" is being packed for shipment to England via New York.—British Wireless Service.

BLACKBURN ROVERS TRIUMPH

Manchester City Beaten By Only Goal.

London, To-day.
Manchester City dropped two valuable points at Blackburn yesterday, the Rovers winning a close game by the only goal scored.

The City are now fifth from the bottom of the League and by no means clear of the relegation line.

Norwich City jumped into second place in the Third Division (South) as the result of a home win over Aldershot by 3 goals to 2.—Reuter.

ITALIAN AIRCRAFT FOR HUNGARY.

Semi-Official Denial.

London, Today.
The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, was questioned in the House of Commons yesterday regarding the reports alleging that 32 military aeroplanes were recently flown from Italy to Hungary and there taken to pieces and hidden.

He replied that he had seen these statements of which a semi-official denial had been issued by the Hungarian Government.

In this instance, therefore, he did not consider any special action was called for on the part of the British Government.—British Wireless Service.

Heavy Snowfall In England

London, To-day.
Snow again fell heavily in the north of England yesterday, and drifts on the Yorkshire Moors are, in some places, ten feet deep.

Snow also fell in parts of Kent, but none fell in London.—British Wireless Service.

NEW STRONG LINES OF DEFENCE

ATTACK LAUNCHED ON CHAOYANG

40,000 TROOPS FOLLOW UP AIR BOMBING

VOLUNTEERS CUT LINE BETWEEN NANLING AND PEIPIAO.

London, To-day.
The determined resistance made by the Chinese troops has impeded the Japanese advance into Jehol and after three days bombing in the Chaoyang area the 40,000 Japanese and Manchukuo troops have made only a small advance.

Japanese forces are now concentrating a fierce drive on Chaoyang where Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang's troops and volunteers have formed a strong line to meet the attack. Chinese have withdrawn the outlying detachments from the Nanling and Peipiao area.

The Japanese advance on Chaoyang is being carried out by 30,000 Japanese troops and a detachment of 10,000 Manchukuo soldiers. The force is assisted by strong artillery and numerous squadrons of military aircraft. Japanese aeroplanes have been bombing Chaoyang for three days.

After two days' fighting, it appears that the Chinese have evacuated the junction town of Peipiao and reformed a line north of the town. Chinese volunteers are reported to have cut the railway between Nanling and Peipiao to impede Japanese reinforcements.—Reuter.

Fighting In A Snowstorm.

JAPANESE ADVANCE FROM TUNGLIAO.

London, To-day.
In a blinding snowstorm and with the mercury ten degrees below zero, the Japanese Sixth Division and the Fourth Cavalry Brigade marched from Tunliao yesterday and clashed and dispersed a body of Chinese irregulars 20 miles south-west of Tunliao.

The Japanese forces continued to advance after the engagement.

No Advance Inside Great Wall.

UNLESS CHINESE PROVIDE PROVOCATION.

Washington, To-day.
Mr. Debuchi, the Japanese Ambassador, instructed from Tokyo, has informed the Secretary of State, Mr. Henry L. Stimson, that Japan does not intend to move her troops south of the Great Wall of China, unless there is "provocation" by the Chinese.—Reuter.

Fresh Commission At Geneva.

London, To-day.
Mr. Justice A. F. C. Webber, Puisne Judge at Nigeria, has been appointed Chief Justice of Sierra Leone in succession to Sir Mervyn Tew, retired.—British Wireless Service.

SECOND ROYAL VISIT TO THE B.I.F.

Withdrawal Demand Refused.

London, To-day.
Queen Mary, who was an interested visitor to the British Industries Fair at White City on Wednesday, paid another long visit to the Fair yesterday. Accompanied by the Duke and Duchess of York, Her Majesty visited the Olympia section.—British Wireless Service.

NEW STRONG LINES OF DEFENCE

ARMS EMBARGO SHOULD BE MADE BY THE LEAGUE

Lord Lytton Supports Labour Views.

ARTICLE SHOULD BE ADDED TO COVENANT

London, To-day.

"There are no steps which Britain can take of her own accord. We must seek the consent of the other members of the League before acting" declared Lord Lytton during an interview with the "Daily Herald". There is, however, nothing to stop us taking the initiative and calling for a international agreement.

"It is incredible that any State which is a member of the League of Nations should supply arms to either party in any quarrel which is *sub judice* of the League. If this is being done it is plainly desirable that an Article should be added to the League Covenant, forbidding the export of arms by Member to any other member who is being judged by the League."

The Labour Party are quite right to submit that demands that armaments should be refused Japan.

"On the other hand why should we refuse to export arms if other countries continue to do so?" asked Lord Lytton.

"If there is going to be a trade in weapons of war, why should it be carried on at our expense?

"Japan has a very strong case on merits, but no case at all for the action she has taken."

Citing the fact that the League found Greece wrong after the Greco-Bulgarian war and that the Greeks turned out the Government and substituted one with a policy, Lord Lytton added that it is hoped by all friends of Japan, (which is governed virtually by military rule) that a similar action may be taken in that country.

Peace is still possible with a satisfactory solution for both sides.

"The only solution is the complete demilitarisation of the district and the establishment of an efficient Police Force with foreign officers sufficient to keep order."—Reuter.

In despatching troops to Jehol the Chinese Government is exercising its sovereign rights. The Japanese Government must be held absolutely responsible for the invasion of Jehol.—Reuter.

China Repudiates Demand.

JAPANESE BENT ON SEIZING JEHOL.

Nanking, To-day.

China's reply indignantly repudiates the Japanese demand for withdrawal of the Chinese forces, saying "The fact that Japan is not only bent on attacking and seizing Jehol, but also declares that her military operations may be extended to North China, is sufficient to prove her long-cherished policy of aggression remains unchanged."

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JAPANESE GARRISONS CAUTIONED.

Tokyo, To-day.

While naturally apprehensive last the Jehol operations precipitate disturbances in North China and endanger the lives of Japanese subjects, the Japanese military authorities indicate that the garrisons at Peking and Tientsin have been warned to act strictly on the defensive and to avoid any aggression of the situation.—Reuter.

(Continued on Page 12.)

London, To-day.

Referring to the question of the prohibition of the export of arms, the "Daily Express" in a leading article asks what there is prevent either China or Japan buying munitions from Britain through the medium of a third country, and how are "munitions" to be defined?

(Continued on Page 12.)

London, To-day.

H.M. the King held a second investiture at Buckingham Palace yesterday. Among the recipients of honour were five sailors who received recognition for their bravery at the Bentley Colliery disaster last year.

Mr. Augustine Courtauld was also decorated with the Polar medal.

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Colonel Watkins, the Polar medal awarded him, also the award for Mr. H. G. Watkins, leader of the British Arctic Air route expedition, who was drowned last year in Greenland.

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The WOMAN'S Page



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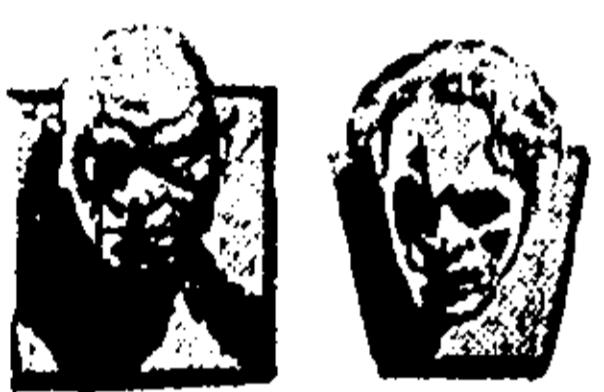
are often the forewarnings of serious ailments. The throat is regarded by medical men as one of the weak spots which has to be carefully guarded against the attack of disease germs.

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BRIDGE TEAS FOR THE EPICURE.

Both Savoury And Sweet.

The bridge tea is a somewhat serious affair, as it is more of a meal than the usual simple tea and cakes offered to the afternoon caller. Not only must a variety of sandwiches be provided but substantial little trifles of a savoury description which can be eaten with a silver tea-fork.

Cakes at these teas must give way to the savouries, but to banish the small cake altogether is a mistake, for many people like a sweet morsel with which to finish. Cakes, if good, will always hold their own, but the highly decorative, rather sickly, iced cake has, for the bridge tea, lost favour.

Here is a method of making a variation of the sausage-roll, which is appropriate for this tea. Make a small quantity of good rough puff pastry, using three ounces of butter to four ounces of flour. Sift the flour with a pinch of salt and break up the butter in it into pieces about the size of a hazel-nut. Add a squeeze of lemon juice, the yolk of an egg, and sufficient cold water to make all into a smooth, moderately stiff dough. Roll out five times in a long strip, folding the strip into three, after each roll, in order to form a square. After the final fold roll out about one-eighth of an inch thick and cut out small oval pieces with a pastry cutter.

Have ready about six ounces of sausage meat which has been passed through a coarse wire sieve, well seasoned and flavoured with dried powdered sage or sweet herbs. Roll up the meat into lengths the size of a cigarette and place one of these on each oval of pastry. Fold over first one side and then the other and egg the edge to fasten the roll down. Roll gently backwards and forwards once or twice in order to shape evenly; egg the surface of the pieces and bake in a good oven for from twelve to fifteen minutes. These rolls may be made with cold cooked chicken or veal, if flavoured with fat bacon and moistened with a little white sauce.



Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

TIFFIN

Codfish Omelet
Roast Loin of Veal Stuffed
Mashed Chestnuts

Fried Spinach in Butter

Tapioca and Date Pudding

DINNER

Consomme Edward VII

Salad Monte-Christo

Boeuf en Daube

Boiled Macaroni

Stewed Leeks

Walnut and Sugar Candy

Dumplings

ed and trimmed.
(2) The quality of oil and vinegar. The oil must be of the first quality; do not forget that "salad oil" sold everywhere will never replace pure olive oil for taste or for health. Vinegar should be wine vinegar, and not malt vinegar or a chemical one which is extremely bad for the system.

(3) The preparation of the dressing. The dressing should be prepared in the salad bowl before putting in the salad which, after having been washed and shaken in a salad basket, must be dried and the leaves torn, not cut. The basis of a dressing is oil and vinegar to the proportion of one tablespoonful of vinegar to three tablespoonfuls of oil, add salt and pepper.

Consomme Edward VII

Prepare a good fowl consomme. When clarifying it, add two tablespoons of fine curry powder. Garnish with sorgh rice, separately cooked in the Indian way, and well washed, in order that it may not lessen the limpidity of the consomme, which must be of a bright golden colour.

Codfish Omelet

Melt 1 tablespoon butter, add 2 tablespoons flour, stir until smooth, then add gradually $\frac{1}{4}$ cup hot milk and 1 cup flaked codfish; cook 2 to 3 minutes. Beat the yolks of 2 eggs until thick and lemon tinted, add fish mixture, mix well, then fold in the whites of 2 eggs beaten until stiff. Melt 1½ tablespoons butter in an iron spider, turn it in mixture, spread evenly and let cool in a frying pan until well puffed, then set in a moderate oven to finish cooking. Fold and turn on a warm serving dish and pour around 1 cup white sauce.

Salad Monte Christo

Lobsters, potatoes and hardboiled eggs in equal quantities, all cut in dice.

The inevitable truffles also appear but could be omitted and replaced by boiled bamboo shoots.

A lettuce heart is placed in the middle and the dressing is made with mayonnaise seasoned with mustard; chopped gherkins are scattered over.

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TALKIE TALKS

by
Diane**"MOST DANGEROUS GAME"** A THRILLING FILM

ALISON SKIPWORTH EXCELS IN KING'S ATTRACTION.

"The Lodger" Coming To Queen's.

"The Most Dangerous Game" brings a new name to the screen. Leslie Banks, the Briton who has made good in comedy or drama on Broadway, gives a remarkable characterization of the mad Russian who hunts humans instead of animals. Not after thrillers, this picture hits upon a sinister idea, but it does give thrills, although it will be likely to trouble the dreams of sensitive people. Ernest Shredder and Irving Pichel directed this film from the story by Richard Connell.

The wealthy madman intrenches himself on a lonely island, shifts the reef lights about in a way to wreck the unwary mariner and lands a select lot of castaways, who are then at his mercy. We know quite well that the hero and heroine, (Joel McCrea and Fay Wray) will escape in the end, even



Joel McCrea and Fay Wray in a scene in "The Most Dangerous Game" the RKO feature, which is showing at the Central Theatre from tomorrow.

though the hero plunges from a cliff with a blood hound at his throat. No one can deny the story is silly and far-fetched, but it is original and exciting. Robert Armstrong is in the cast but it is the Englishman who dominates the thriller (Central).

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"The Lodger"

Mrs. Belloc Lowndes' famous novel about the murder scares of Jack the Ripper comes to the screen again, with Ivor Novello playing the part of the mysterious lodger, as he did in the silents. Henry Ainley played it on the stage, if I remember rightly. A. W. Bascombe makes his first screen appearance a most successful one as the landlord, and Elizabeth Allan, the best among all the female British stars (now under contract to M.G.M. in Hollywood) with the other two gives a grand performance. I won't tell the story but the solution of the problem is veiled with such suspense that the denouement is sensational. DON'T miss this one at the Queen's.

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"Forgotten Commandments"

In "The Forgotten Commandments" we have a conventional drama set in the Hollywoodian Russia. Its main object seems to have been to drag in the spectacular sequences from the old silent success "The Ten Commandments". Irving Pichel, with a decided American accent, is the Russian agnostic and scientist. Marguerite Churchill and Sari Maritza (Patricia Detering-Nathan of Tientsin) struggle with the roles of heroine and vamp. Gene Raymond wears a Russian tunic, but that is the only way he makes us think for a moment the environment is in the present-day suffering land of the Soviet. The technical skill with which Cecil B. de Mille managed the parting of the waters of the Red Sea and the presentation of the Commandments makes the picture commendable. Otherwise it has nothing to recommend it.—(King's).

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"Washington Masquerade"

In "The Washington Masquerade" (titled in England, "The Mad Masquerade") we have the States capital city—politics and Lionel Barrymore. Together, they are excellent in small parts. The

settings are lavish, the frocks enchanting—the acting all the average "fan" could desire.

"Leap Year" is a real laughter maker. Tom Walls shows a remarkable deftness in his handling of the part of the man who searches for the owner of the lovely face that haunts him. The fun moves at a fast pace, and the star deserves the greatest credit, not only for the acting but what is most difficult—also the direction. Strongly advised. (Central).

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"Flag Lieutenant"
The film for which all loyal Britons are waiting: "The Flag Lieutenant" with Henry Edwards playing the part he made famous in the silents. How well I can remember Cyril Maude in this as a play. Highest praise from all quarters. Due soon at the Central.

"He Learned About Women"
Stuart Erwin, that grand comedian is a millionaire bookworm who decides to see bit of life, in "He Learned About Women". He has the able assistance of Alison Skipworth. She is the kind of actress who brings joy to our hearts. As the out-of-work actress engaged to teach the self-conscious bookworm pose and self-confidence, she is—as usual, priceless. Remember the little girl in "Million Dollar Legs"—Susan Fleming. In this, she is charming as the love affair. Grant Mitchell as the Butler is second to none—Stuart Erwin dumb and slow, is at his best. One of the most amusing films we have had this season. Recommended. (King's).

Star's Features.
A Musical show which ran on Broadway for years. "Flying High" with Bert Lahr and Charlotte Greenwood. Then comes lovely Constance Bennett and her father, with Ben Lyon in a grand picture—"Bought." This will be followed by Bill Haines in "Are You Listening?" All due at the Star.

AROUND THE BRITISH STUDIOS:

The contract of Wendy Barrie, daughter of Mr. F. C. Jenkins, K.C., has been bought from the London Film Co. by Paramount, as this actress, who shows promise according to the English critics, will swell the numbers of British actresses in Hollywood. Phyllis Barry in "Cynara," Miriam Jordan in "Sherlock Holmes," Elizabeth Allan, Benita Hume, Elissa Landi, Diana Wynward, Lillian Harvey, Heather Angel, and many more.

Davy Burnaby remembered in the "Co-Optimists" has made his first screen appearance. Betty Stockfeld, the Australian actress, Henry Kendall and Hugh Wakefield are at work on "King of the Ritz" at the Lion Studio.

Jessie Matthews has scored triumphs in "Good Companions" and "Midshipmaid." Nineteen-year-old Judy Kelly, said to be Australia's gift to talkies, has been given a long-term contract by B.I.P.

Madeleine Carroll makes a screen re-appearance with Ivor Novello in "Sleeping Cars."

Ralph Lynn, Winifred Shottter and Robertson Hare have finished the Aldwych success—"Fifty-five." Lynn and Walls will be together again in "Turkey Time." Constance Shottter, sister of Winnie, seems like being another film discovery. Her work in "For the Love of Mike" receives the highest praise.

A new play by Ivor Novello was to start after "Musical Chairs" ended its run.

Gertude Lawrence is the star in "No Funny Business," a comedy with music by Noel Gay and Frank Vesper to be made by a new British Film Company, "John Stafford Production."

Charlotte Greenwood, the famous American comedienne, who is appearing in the Drury Lane success "Wild Violets," is to make her British film appearance in the Gaumont-British version of Ian Hay's farcical play "Orders are Orders."

Little Jacque Lynn, recently seen with Laurel and Hardy, was born in London of English parents.

Binnie Barnes, who went over to Fox to act in "Cavalcade," did not like Hollywood and has returned to the London studios.

I'M TELLING YOU.

Barbara Kent, who will be remembered with Harold Lloyd in "Welcome Danger," recently married Harry Eddington, the famous manager who made Greta Garbo, Janet Gaynor a big little girl these days. Charles Farrell has left Fox and her romance with Lydell Park has finished. This

**HOLLYWOOD NEEDS NEW BLOOD.****Greta Garbo Was A Barber's Girl.**

For the last few years most of the screen's newcomers have been recruited from the ranks of the stage's established players, but the talkies have now reached the stage when producers have decided that they want to develop their own stars again.

The films need new blood. And the same producers are beginning to remember that the greatest actresses of the screen learned about life in the hard school of the office and the factory before they attempted acting.

The Press agents have been telling those stories of stellar youths spent in the cloistered luxury of southern mansions and romantic old European castles so often that the movie kings had nearly come to believe them themselves.

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Among the swimmers we find Tallulah Bankhead, Claudette Colbert, Fredric March, Norma Shearer, Lewis Stone, Joan Crawford, Conrad Nagel, Johnnie Weissmuller, Jeanette MacDonald, and Carole Lombard.

Horseback riders include Carole Lombard, Hobart Bosworth, and Norma Shearer.

Ronald Coleman, Clive Brook, H. B. Warner, C. Aubrey Smith, Claude King, and Desmond Roberts, play cricket.

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At this meeting the Creditors will be asked to determine whether an application shall be made to the Court for the appointment of any person as Liquidator in the place of or jointly with myself the Liquidator appointed by the Company or for the appointment of a Committee of Inspection.

Dated 21st day of February, 1933.

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RAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 4th March, 1933, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, the Sports Club, and the Stables, Village Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Monday, 27th February, 1933.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1933**

18th, 20th, 21st, 22nd and 25th February, 1933.

ON SATURDAY, 18th, MONDAY, 20th, TUESDAY, 21st, and WEDNESDAY, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On SATURDAY, the 25th February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

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The Secretary's Office, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building (Tel. 27794), will close at 10 a.m. on the first four days, and at 12.30 p.m. on the fifth day.

A limited number of Tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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NOTICE is also hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from MONDAY 13th February, 1933, until SATURDAY, 25th February, 1933, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,

D. L. KING,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th February, 1933.

COMPULSORY RESIGNATION ORDER IN U.S.**Diplomats Anxious For Future.****26 MINISTERS AFFECTED**

New York. One class of U. S. Government servants who are not looking forward to the change of Administration on March 4 next with any joy are 26 diplomats who have been advanced from ranks of the Foreign Service to become Ministers or Ambassadors.

All their steady application to the duties of their adopted career and all the progress they have made may go for naught, because custom requires that on change of government they shall hand in their resignations. No doubt most will be re-appointed, but the uncertainty must be galling for many.

This seems to be a case where advancement through service and merit goes without reward and even has its penalties, for those who have not risen to the rank of Minister or Ambassador remain in their posts undisturbed by changing administrations. Some of the men who may lose their jobs are unprepared for it financially. They have had for the most part to live expensively on inadequate salaries and have been unable to save money. They will have to seek other occupations at one of the worst periods in economic history.

Of 28 men who began in the foreign service (which is protected by law), and who have attained ministerial or ambassadorial rank, all but two will have to tender their resignations. The two unaffected are Addison E. Southard, who is Minister Resident at Adisso Ababa (Abyssinia) and Paul Knabenshue, Minister Resident and Consul-General to Iraq. These two are still regarded as being in the category of "foreign service" officials.—Ruter.

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An Irish Mission to Spain.

Mr. De Valera was reported recently to be contemplating the nationalisation and redistribution of the estates of the large graziers in Eastern Ireland who have stated that in consequence of his policy they are compelled to dismiss their labourers.

An official of the Irish Ministry of Agriculture has been despatched by Mr. De Valera to Spain to study on the spot the measures taken by the Republican Government to expropriate great landowners and partition their estates among the peasants.

Your Daily Smile.

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"I haven't got over it yet," as the nervous high jumper said, failing again.

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IT MIGHT HELP.

Two sailors were shipwrecked. "Say, Bill," said one of them, "can you pray?"

"No," said the other.

"Well, can you sing a hymn?"

"No."

The first sailor thought hard for a moment.

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Of the loving ties that bind us

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PREPARING THE WAY.

A sailor stuck his head in the door of the public bar and said: "Does anybody in here want to fight?"

Nobody said a word, and the sailor repeated: "Does anybody in here want to fight?"

"No, Jack," said one old gentleman. "No one in here wants to fight."

"That's good," said the sailor.

"Then it's safe to come in."

Facts You Did Not Know.

Germans have developed a method for catching fish of any size desired by sending currents of electricity of sufficient strength to stun them through water.

With its motor directly over the front wheel, a three-wheeled chair for invalids has been invented that can be operated by two automobile storage batteries.

Adopting the principle of anti-skid chains for automobiles, an English woman has invented overseas made of wire netting to prevent persons slipping on ice.

An inventor has constructed a 30 foot model of a dirigible balloon that is able to land without the aid of a ground crew, by means of a new method of control.

of the way, the attack on the others will be very much easier. But the world cannot afford to postpone the solution of the most urgent of its many problems just because it is not yet ready. These inter-Governmental payments are a malignant ulcer in itself, without the introduction of fresh complications belonging to the others. If and when one is solved it will facilitate the solution of the rest. That is particularly true of the War debts problem, the most pressing, and because it is not yet ready, the most important of all. When it is out,

WHERE THE WEST IS STILL "WILD"

NEVADA THRIVES ON QUICK DIVORCE NO PROHIBITION MEASURES

(By MARTIN MOORE).

Reno, Nevada.

If States chose arms and mottoes to match their ideals, Nevada's device would be a wide open door surmounted by the Rabelaisian exhortation: "Do what you will."

For Nevada's ideal is personal liberty. This is still frontier territory, drawing its population from all the States of the Union, and from all nationalities in the world. Even to-day Nevadans still retain much of the free and easy, untrammeled outlook of fortune-seekers.

Nevada is proud of its freedom, too, and likes to boast that it is the only State in America where the "wildness" of the West is not book fiction, but a modern fact.

Even in the streets of Reno you may still see genuine cowboys, wearing ten-gallon hats and high-heeled boots. And up in the mountains you may still encounter gold prospectors—only to-day they carry their picks and shovels, not on a pack-donkey, but in the back seat of a Ford.

Prohibition Ignored.

Drinking and gambling have always been the traditional relaxations of the "wild" West, and Nevada's legislators do not mean to deprive the last surviving Westerners of these pastimes. This is the only State in the Union where games of chance are legalised, and within its borders there are enough gambling dens and clubs to satisfy the gaming instincts of all America.

Nevada is, of course, just as much subject to the Federal Prohibition laws as any other part of the country. But the State Legislature has always refused to co-operate with Washington in enforcing an unwelcome a measure. In practice, therefore, it has remained a dead letter here.

Throughout more than 110,000 square miles over which Nevada's territory extends there have never at any time been more than five resident federal enforcement officers. Consequently, the doors of the saloons are almost as wide open as those of the gaming houses.

But freedom is more than an intellectual ideal here. Like other Americans, the Nevadans expect their ideals to pay, and they have been so busily "cashing in on liberty" that they have only just begun to ask: "What is the slump?"

Reno's Endless Gala.

The legalisation of gambling in 1931 opened the door for what seemed an endless carnival of tourists. From all over America men and women with money to burn came pouring into Reno, turning the quiet county town into a city of perpetual gala. In almost every street gambling clubs alternated with luxury stores where the fortunate might spend their winnings, or speakeasies where the luckless might drown the memory of their losses.

Immediately gambling was legalised some 600 games of chance were licensed in Washoe County alone, almost all of them in Reno. Similar "gold rush" scenes were witnessed in Carson City, Las Vegas, and all the other little towns in Nevada. From these gambling houses State, county, and city all took toll in licence fees.

What master if the price of silver and copper slumped at unheard-of levels? Who but the ranchers cared of live-stock were not worth the raising? Nevada substituted the whirling ball and the rattling dice for the abandoned miners and deserted cattle ranches. Money came pouring in from all over the United States, and business boomed. Rents rocketed sky-high; hotels and apartment-houses were crammed; shops were filled with expensive merchandise.

The Divorce Mill.

Every road leading to Reno, for miles before the city is reached, is an unbroken ribbon of pleasure resorts. The Rainbow Garden, the Cow Shed, the Doll House, the Heidelberg Inn—their very names suggest the gay suburbs of a town given over to money-spending and amusement. In between these resorts are innumerable "auto camps"—little townships of brightly painted cottages, where those unable to find accommodation in Reno may have a bed and bath under the same roof as they garage their cars.

The prosperity brought by the gamblers has been supplemented by Nevada's other industry—the "divorce mill." There is a good deal of misunderstanding about this activity, which has made the name of little, obscure Reno known throughout the world. Divorce in Nevada is not easier than anywhere else, but simply quicker.

"Mental cruelty," "incompatibility of temperament," and other freak grounds for dissolution of marriage find no place in the Nevadan code. But once a divorce has been granted, the parties are free to re-marry within the hour—and many of them do. In this Nevada's law differs, for instance, from that of California, which will dissolve a marriage on small pretext, but demands interval of one year to elapse before the decree is absolute.

Lawyers' Racket

Yet even this, quick process of law is not peculiar to Nevada, nor is it the real magnet that draws the unhappily married to Reno. What attracts film stars from Hollywood and Society people from New York and Nevada, entitled to the benefits of its legal code. Other States have easier divorce, and other States allow re-marriage just as speedily; but nowhere else can the outsider take citizenship on such short residence.

Whatever the merits of its law, Nevada's "divorce mill" is really a lawyers' racket. Reno has fewer than 20,000 inhabitants, but there are more than 130 divorce lawyers in the town. Between them they receive some \$750,000 a year in fees, while the court authorities get \$135,000 for filing the applications.

Until two years ago the divorce mill used to work quite profitably on the three months' residential qualification then in force. But Arkansas and Idaho cast envious

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News In Brief.

A Chinese woman sustained injuries to her head when a bamboo pole fell on her while walking in Canton Road. She was sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment.

An enjoyable Social, given by members of St. Andrew's Club, was held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, last night. Competitions were indulged in and refreshments were served.

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, will take place to-morrow at 11.30 a.m. at the Head Office, 1, Queen's Road Central.

While attempting to board a Kowloon 'bus in motion in the Tsim Sha Tsui district, a Chinese youth, aged 19 years, fell and sustained injuries to his head. He was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

Wong Sui-ting, 23, a student living at the Man Kwok Boarding House, Connaught Road Central, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from the effects of opium poisoning, alleged to have been self-administered.

The vehicular ferry, Man Kim, latest addition to the Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry fleet, had her first official trials in Kowloon Bay yesterday. After tests of speed and steering had been completed, officials of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company, builders of the ferry, expressed complete satisfaction.

Personal Page.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Collingwood and Miss K. Collingwood, were passengers aboard the liner Baliputana which arrived this morning from Shanghai en route to London.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Flowers and child, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ratcliffe and child, were passengers who arrived in the Colony from Shanghai this morning aboard the P. & O. Rajputana.

"BAD MONEY"
FOR ENGLAND

Temporary Capital Movements.

CHECKING FLUCTUATIONS IN
STERLING

London, To-day. Replying to the House of Commons question regarding the recent gold purchases by the Bank of England Issue Department, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, said that for various reasons, large amounts of foreign money had been coming into London recently which were bad money, in the sense that they could not rely on retaining them.

If no precautions were taken, these capital movements would result in a sharp rise in sterling to be followed later on by a sharp fall. Everyone would agree that such fluctuations, which were very harmful to trade, should be limited as far as possible, but it was not in general interests to state what particular methods might be adopted to check them.

He agreed with the question that these purchases of gold should be regarded as flexible additions to the banks' gold holding and that it would be improper to regard them as permanent additions to the gold reserves, which may be used in future for restoring credit. — British Wireless Service.

**ROOSEVELT'S
INVALUABLE
COUNSELLOR**Dr. Moley Stated A
Real Power.

POST AS TREASURY ASSISTANT

New York. One of the real powers in the new administration is likely to be Professor Raymond Moley of Columbia University, New York. Exactly how and where he will fit in seems a little uncertain, but it can be taken for granted that after March 4 next he will continue to be, as he undoubtedly now is, the most intimate of Mr. Roosevelt's adviser on all matters except patronage.

It seems as if the President-elect would be lost without Dr. Moley. From the beginning of his campaign until now he has hardly moved without Dr. Moley. It was Dr. Moley whom Mr. Roosevelt took as his sole support to the White House Conference on war debts in November.

Three months ago, not a great many people had ever heard of Dr. Moley. Now, the whole United States knows his name. During the campaign, it is pretty generally established that he had more to do with the preparation of the Roosevelt speeches than anyone else. He is a skilful writer, a good phrase maker, able to impart a convincing ring to his work—particularly qualified to help a candidate in Mr. Roosevelt's position. It was not until after the election, however, that the real closeness of Dr. Moley was appreciated. It is now clear that he is closer than anyone else, that he is consulted more often, that his opinions have more weight and that he has the complete confidence of the President-elect.

Apparently a lot will be seen and heard of Dr. Moley in Washington during the next few years. Naturally, public and political interest is keen as to the kind of man he is. Dr. Moley is of medium height and weight, clean shaven, rather dark, with shrewd eyes, pleasant manner. He does not have an academic appearance. He is, of course, a highly cultured man, but not of the "high-brow" type.

He is 46 years old, was born in Ohio. He taught for several years in various small institutions and since 1923, has been at Columbia University, first as assistant professor of Government, and now as professor of Public Law. He is the author of numerous books and pamphlets on government and politics, and seems to have specialised in crime surveys. He has two children—twins. He does not reveal in his autobiographical sketch either his religion or his politics.

That Mr. Roosevelt wants him close by during his administration is agreed, but how conveniently to arrange that is said to be something of a problem. Apparently there is no place for him in the Cabinet. On the other hand, any of the Assistant Secretaries

 **MILLIONS OF
ARMED WORKERS
READY TO FIGHT**
Soviet Paper's Guarded Threat.POSSIBILITY DISCUSSED OF
WAR WITH JAPAN

Moscow, To-day. The Kremlin is very closely watching the Japanese action in Jehol, although it is not considered to be a threat.

It is well aware that some of the Japanese political and military leaders openly stated the necessity of war with Russia in the Japanese press, and views the Japanese refusal to sign a non-aggression pact as an alarming circumstance.

The "Izvestia," Government organ, in a leading article, declares that Japanese action will bring a state of open warfare with China and says that the Japanese hoped that the Democratic elections in America would decrease American interest in Manchuria.

But contrarily, the newspaper continues, Japanese-American relations are sharpening, and the present events will bring up the question of whether or not America will allow the Japanese to blockade China.

It reiterates the Soviet desire for peace and emphasises that the Soviet will not interfere in the struggles of Imperialist nations.

However, the Imperialists attack the Soviet. "Millions of armed workers will be ready to fight like lions, and sacrifice their lives so that Imperialist nations will never again dare to interfere with a Socialist nation."

Loss Of Soviet Air
Base.

JAPANESE ARSON SUSPECTED.

Moscow, To-day. Serious allegations that certain Japanese ordered him to destroy the civil air base at Ustbolsherevsk, Kamchatka and other buildings important to the Soviet, were made by a Japanese named Kaisawa who was arrested in connection with an outbreak of fire at the base on January 19.

As a result of the enquiry, two militia men, guarding the base, have been accused of arson and the storekeeper of a local State Farm accused of inciting them. All three are reported to have pleaded "guilty" and alleged that they were instructed by Kaisawa. — Reuter.

EMPIRE PRODUCTS
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Enrolled.

In our advertisement column the Empire Fair Committee of Hong Kong announces a four days' British Empire Fair at the Peninsula Hotel from May 24 and invites intending exhibitors who have not already applied for space to do so once.

Up to now, upwards of 30 exhibitors have been enrolled, the Governments of Australia, New Zealand and Canada, and the Department of Overseas Trade, London, are actively interested, so that an extensive and interesting exhibition is assured.

The Directors of Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., have kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee even more space than was available last year.

SMALL-POX CASES.

Five Reported On
Wednesday.

Five fresh cases of small-pox were notified to the Health Authorities on Wednesday. Of these, 2 occurred in Hong Kong and 3 in Kowloon, which one case was imported.

One case each of meningitis and diphtheria were also notified to the M.O.H.

of the secretarial jobs around the White House would lack both the dignity he deserves and the remunerative he should have to give up his university career. The best guess is that the professor will

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The training begins by accustoming them to strange sights and noises. Flags are waved before their eyes, rattles are operated beside them, and revolver shots are fired near them. Gradually they get accustomed to all these and then—one of the most difficult parts of the course—they are taught to walk through flames.

Their training for dealing with crowds is carried out with long lines of dummies which they are taught to push back without kicking. They are also taught to step over prostrate figures and, once they have mastered all this, they have to learn to do it all again to the accompaniment of gramophones or loud speakers. When they have passed all these tests, they are passed for duty in London's streets. — Reuter.

SIR JOHN RANDLES
PASSES THROUGHLady Lindley On Board
Rajputana.

Sir John Randles, Kt., J.P., M.P. (U.) North-West (now Exchange División) Manchester from 1912 to 1922, and Hon. President of the International Parliamentary Commercial Conference, arrived in Hong Kong to-day aboard the P. & O. liner Rajputana, en route to London. Sir John is accompanied by Lady Randles.

Sir John Randles was born in 1857, and is Deputy-Chairman of the Star Board (Eagle, Star and British Dominions Insurance Co., Ltd.). Lady Lindley, wife of Sir Francis Lindley, British Ambassador at Tokyo, accompanied by her daughter, Miss M. Lindley and niece, the Hon. Miss M. Fraser, were also passengers aboard the liner.

HORTICULTURAL
SHOW.Lady Peel To Give
Away Prizes.

MARCH 2 EVENT.

Entries for the Hong Kong Horticultural Society's annual Show on March 2 closed at noon yesterday.

Features of the Show will be non-competitive exhibits by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd., Mr. Andrew Tee of the Clover Flower Shop, and Mr. Ho Kom-tong whose vegetables and sweet peas were so favourably commented on last year.

The number of exhibits exceeds 50, Lady Peel has kindly consented to distribute the prizes.

INSP. R. H. E. MARKS.

Appointed Chief
Inspector.

Inspector R. H. E. Marks has been appointed to succeed Chief Inspector Granf who has been promoted to the rank of A.S.P.

He was appointed Police Constable on July 29, 1909, and rose to be Sub-Inspector eleven years later. He received the appointment of Full Inspector in October, 1920, and lately had been managing the duties of Inspector of Weights and Measures.

To-Day's Short Story.

**THE
FRONTIER
GUARDS**

By H. Russell
Wakefield.

"WHAT a charming little house!" said Brinton, as he was walking in front of a round of golf at Ellesborough with Lander.

"Yes, from the outside," replied Lander.

"What's the matter with the inside—Ezoic plumbing?"

"No, the usual offices are neat, if not gaudy. Spangler would probably describe them as 'contemporary with the death of Lincoln,' but it's not that—it's haunted."

"Is it, by Jove!" said Brinton, gazing up at it. "Fancy such a nasty reputation. I see it's unoccupied."

"It usually is," replied Lander.

"Tell me about it."

"During dinner I will. But you seem to find something of interest about those windows on the second floor." Brinton gazed up for a moment or two longer, and then started to walk back in silence beside his host.

In five minutes they reached Lander's cottage—it was rather more pretentious than that—an engaging two-storeyed structure added to and modernised from time to time, formerly known as "The Old Vicarage," and rechristened "Lamers."

Black and white and creeper-lined, with a trim little garden of rose-trees and mellow turf, two fine lines, and a great yew, impenetrable and secret. This little garden melted into an arable expanse, and there was a lovely view out to some high Chiltern spurs. The whole place just suited Lander, who was—or it might be more accurate to say, wanted to be—a novelist; a commonplace and ill-advised ambition, but he had money of his own and could afford to wait.

"How long do its occupants stick it out as a rule?"

"Six weeks in the record, and that was made by some people called Pendexter. That was three years ago. I knew Pendexter *pere*, and he was a courageous and determined person. His daughter was hurled down the stairs one night and killed, and I shall never forget the mingled fury and grief with which he told me about it. Previous to that he had detected eighteen different examples of psychic action—appearances and sounds—several definitely malignant. The family had not enjoyed one single day of freedom from abnormal phenomena."

"How long since it was last occupied?" asked Brinton.

"It has been empty for a year, and I am inclined to think it will remain so. Anyone who comes down to look at it is given a pretty straight tip by one or other of us to keep away."

"Does it affect you violently?"

"I have never set foot in it."

"What? You, of all people!"

"My dear Jim, just for that very reason. When I first discovered I was psychic I felt flattered and anxious to experience all I could. I soon changed my mind. I found I experienced quite enough without any need for making opportunities. I do this to this day. Several times I have had a visitor in the study here after dinner, an uninvited guest. And it has always been so. I have many

times heard and seen things which could not be explained in places with perfectly clean bills of psychic health. And one never gets quite used to it. Terror may pass, but some distress of mind is inevitable.

Any person gifted or afflicted like myself will tell you the same. It seems to me sometimes as if I actually assist in evoking and materialising these appearances, that I help to establish a connection between them and the place I inhabit, that I am a most unpleasant kind of lightning conductor."

"Is there any possible explanation for that?"

"Well, I have formed one, but it would take rather a long time to explain, and may be quite fallacious. Anyhow, there has never been any need for me to visit such places as Pendleton, and I keep away from them if I can."

"Would you very much object to going in for a minute or two?"

"Why?"

"Well, I have been bothered all my life about this business of ghosts. I have never seen one; in a sense I don't believe in them; yet I am convinced you have known many. It is a maddening dualism of mind. I feel if I could just once come in contact with something of the kind I should feel a sense of enormous relief."

"And you'd like me to conduct you over Pendleton?"

"Not if it would really upset you."

"It would be at your own risk."

"I'll take it."

MEDWAY LEAVES
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H.M. Submarine Depot Ship Medway, accompanied by the submarines Oswald, Persau, Proteus, Ostris, Olympus and Pandora left Hong Kong this morning for Manila.

From Manila, the Medway and submarines will proceed to Coban and Sandakan, in British North Borneo, returning to Hong Kong on or about March 27.

WEATHER FORECAST

North-east winds, fresh fine rain, change later. Is the weather forecast in Peking a report issued from the Royal Observatory?

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CRITICISM OF BOARD'S ACTION

Australians Are Fellow Sinners.

CONFERENCE RECOMMENDED.

Sydney, January 19.
THE Sydney Sun, in a leading article on the subject of the Australian Cricket Board of Control's protest against "body-line" bowling, says:

"The Board of Control seems to have become somewhat confused between the verbs to cable and to burble. M.C.C. might be forgiven, after reading the appalling suggestions of Imperial disruption, if it replied to the board with a request that it pack its several heads in ice. However, it is obvious that the cricket authorities in England are going to receive the representations in a friendly, inquiring spirit despite the board's weakness in diplomacy."

The Daily Telegraph says:—"The relations between Australia and England have survived much greater shocks, but the Board of Control is hardly noted for its sense of proportion. Why not talk the matter over before pushing ahead with an ultimatum? It is certain that all feeling against the practice is not on the Australian side."

Melbourne, January 19.
Mr. Kent Hughes, Minister of Sustenance in this State's Ministry

CLIMAX TO LEG THEORY PROTESTS.

Oldfield Says Larwood's Was
"Perfectly Fair."

In an interview the day after his accident, Oldfield said: "I do not blame Larwood or the English team for my mishap. The ball which struck me was a fair one, and it was just bad luck that I should be hit."

Oldfield's impression of the incident is that the ball worked a trifling towards the off-side, and so caused him to misjudge the flight. Expert eye-witnesses are convinced that the ball hung a little before rising from the pitch, and they believe that this probably caused Oldfield to swing too soon. He had almost completed a quick stroke when he was struck.

and a former Olympic athlete, who knew Mr. D. R. Jardine at Oxford, has telephoned to Mr. Jardine: "Malley's suggested conferences are one matter, but the accusation of unsportsmanlike play is very different. As an ex-international, I strongly object to the boorish, bitter, insulting wording of the Control Board's protest. The English attitude in 1921 was very different."

Mr. Hughes, when interviewed, recalled Gregory's tactics in England. He said: "If a conference is held, Australia must attend as fellow-sinners. The position of the fieldsmen is immaterial. It is the fast bumping ball about which the question of danger has arisen."

The Melbourne Herald editorial states: "While the Board's cable to Marylebone is justified by the disclosure of bitter feelings among the players and spectators, the reference to upsetting friendly relations between England and Australia is an hysterical exaggeration."

It recommends a conference between P. F. Warner, D. R. Jardine, J. B. Hobbs, W. M. Woodfull, M. A. Noble, and the Control Board to consider the question of fast body-line bowling with a packed leg field, which is different to fast bowling with an orthodox field.

Massie's Opinion.
Mr. H. H. Massie, member of the Australian test team of 1882, expected the M.C.C. to reply as they did; for, he declared last night, it was incumbent on the club to back up their captain and their manager. The course to be followed now was a matter for the Board of Control, a body which he said he refused to criticise.

The veteran cricketer said he would be very sorry if the tour was cut short as a result of the trouble, but he did not anticipate it would reach that stage. Consideration of the dispute should be deferred until the completion of the series, when something in the nature of a round-table conference should be held.

Mr. Massie expressed strong opposition to "body-line" bowling. "If persisted in, it would have a serious effect on cricket," he said.

"To talk about the Australians squalling is absurd," Mr. Massie added. "The first squalls came from Hobbs and Warner." Hobbs objected to the bowling of Bower,

LEG-THEORY SOLUTION

BY FRANK WOOLLEY.
Kent and England.

LOOKING back on the placid years before 1914, it seems difficult to believe that cricket is still a game and not a war of attrition between two peoples 6,000 miles apart.

Leg-theory bowling—which must sound to the uninitiated like something out of revue or comic opera—is neither new nor particularly dangerous, but it has provided an all-embracing smoke-screen to hide Australian feelings.

The Australians realise that Larwood is their master, and the present hullabaloo is due to the fact that the younger brigade of Australian batsmen have not the ability to devise a counter.

ALL FORGOTTEN.

Those magnificent batsmen Trumper and Macartney, the graceful footwork, Noble, Armstrong, and Clem Hill would have faced England's shock troops with equanimity and sporting spirit. Sooner or later, they would have found ways and means of mastering the leg theory.

Since the days when Maclaren left Australian shores and Gregory retired through injury, fast bowling had gone into the limbo of forgotten things by the barrackers of Sydney and Melbourne. The younger Australians did not know what it was to face forked lightning, and even Bradman of the mammoth scores has now been confronted with a problem, which taxes all his admitted skill.

This lack of experience in playing fast bowling makes Larwood more fearless than he really is and one can readily understand the chagrin and disappointment of the Australian Test players, selectors, and crowd.

PERFECT LENGTH.

Larwood can bowl a perfect length all day, and I am certain he is good enough to get the Australians out by the recognised off theory without resorting to the maligned leg field.

Leg theory, after all, is a confession of weakness by the bowling side. Its chief purpose has always been to cramp the batsman's strokes and curtail run-getting, which is very desirable in a Test match, but scarcely elevating to or entertaining to the crowd.

As far as I can see leg theory has never been dangerous to the batsman, providing the bowler keeps a good length. But when a fast bowler loses his length, control, and direction the at once becomes dangerous by setting a leg field and bouncing the ball.

Such bowling creates panic in the breast of the timid batsman who, in trying to protect his body, is forced into making a bad shot. That is never to the credit of the bowler, but the Australians have

and Warner said it was not cricket."

O'Reilly's View.
W. J. O'Reilly, the Australian Test bowler, when question before the fourth Test laughed at the idea of Australian batsmen being afraid of the leg theory. All the players, he declared, were hopeful of winning at Brisbane. Larwood certainly required watching, and was dangerous with a new ball, but otherwise the players were not concerned about him. He anticipated that things would be "all right at the finish."

SOUTH AFRICAN OPINION.

Capetown, January 19.
South African cricketers regard Australia's leg-theory protests as absurd. H. W. Taylor says there is no danger if the batsmen play forward. The trouble with the Australians is, he says, that the leading batsmen, especially Ponsford, Bradman, and Kippax, are prone to play back against the fast bowling.

Taylor described the Australian Board of Control's cable as "futile." He said that McCabe was a good forward player, who was successful against the M.C.C. Taylor concluded by saying that he considered that the Australians were not entitled to "squall."

A. D. Nourse said that the Australian objections were unreasonable. He recalled that in 1921 Gregory had bumped the ball round the batsmen's heads and said that in Durban that bowler knocked his own cap spinning from his head.

H. B. Cameron, who captained the South African team in Australia last season, recalled the match at Lord's when he was knocked out by Larwood. He said that it was a pure accident, and at that time Larwood was not bowling leg-theory. Undoubtedly Oldfield's injury was a similar accident. Cameron added: "There is nothing new in the leg theory, and as far as the Englishmen are concerned its success has been its own justification."

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nothing to moan about.

It is ironic to think that nearly twelve years ago two boomerangs, named Gregory and Macdonald, were hurled into the quiet waters of English cricket, writes Frank Woolley in the *Sunday Dispatch*. I have vivid memories of both. Twice in one Test match over Gregory gave me nasty cracks on the body, one in the ribs and the other in the middle of the back.

Gregory was then definitely bowling at the leg stump, and short of a length. This method was used to get me caught at square-leg before settling down.

Confession is good for the soul. I must admit that bad timing partly accounted for my being hit. I do not complain. After a long experience of cricket one learns to take the rough with the smooth, and that, I am afraid, is where the Australians are wrong in their present attitude.

I do not think any batsman would object to leg-theory bowling provided the bowler does not deliberately bowl at his head.

While I do not admit that leg theory endangers life and limb, there is little to be said in its favour. I do not know any first-class player who really likes it, and I doubt the game is better and brighter without it.

After all, cricket is only a sport, and leg theory is dull as ditchwater to the onlooker, who keeps the game alive.

Nothing is worse than bad feeling in international cricket, and my own belief is that if the opposing side can score runs by accepted means let it get them.

At this distance it is impossible to criticise, and in any case our players would rightly resent being told what to do.

The leg-theory controversy is going to loom large on the cricket horizon for a long time, and this is my solution. Let the umpires be given full power to deal with cases of bowling at a batsman's head or body when a leg field has been set.

In the interests of fair play it would be necessary to no-ball the bowler; yet I trust cricket will never come to such a sorry pass.

It is a trite saying that there is nothing new under the sun, and leg-theory cricket was known a quarter of a century ago.

I shall not readily forget how George Gunn and Frank Tarrant dealt with it in a Gentlemen v.

Players match about 1908 or 1909.

The amateurs had a fast-medium bowler, Jacques, of Hampshire, who always bowled on the leg side. He was not on the wicket, so Tarrant and Gunn ignored every ball.

After a few overs in which nothing happened, Mr. Jessop, who captained the Gentlemen, came up and asked Tarrant if he meant to play the bowling.

Tarrant replied in the negative, and the unfortunate Jacques was taken off. He did not bowl again in the match.

Frank Foster and George Hirst, both left-handers, are supposed to have exploited leg theory, but I cannot agree. Hirst, who bowled round the wicket, had wonderful control over the ball and always maintained a perfect length. He pitched on the middle, and off stump, making the ball move in to the batsman. Many of his victims were clean bowled by the spinner.

SUICIDE CLUB.

Never in my recollection did Hirst bowl on the leg side and allow the batsmen to let the ball go gaily past.

Hirst never had more than three men on the leg side, two square legs and a fine leg, while Foster bowled to two slips and two short legs.

The modern leg theory needs an army of about six players close in on the onside, and they, I imagine, form nearly the perfect suicide club.

Surely cricket, hallowed by a tradition of chivalry and leisureliness, can do without this intensive barrage of intimidating fieldsmen, who, perhaps, are more to be pitied than the man with a bat as a shield.

He scored 122 runs in 13 innings (twice not out), averaging 46.46. He has many delightful strokes and uses his feet well. This season, Darling has scored 185 against Queensland. In the return match he scored 122 runs in 13 innings (twice not out), averaging 46.46. He has many delightful strokes and uses his feet well. This season, Darling has scored 185 against Queensland. In the return match he scored 122 runs in 13 innings (twice not out), averaging 46.46.

MAHOMED NISSAR'S FEAT

Lahore, Jan. 30.
The Inter-University Cricket match between the Punjab XI. and the visiting team from Calcutta University provided a personal triumph for Mahomed Nissar, the fast bowler, who took all 10 wickets in the visitors' first innings for 16 runs. Most of Nissar's victims today were clean bowled, only two being caught and two being lbw.

JARDINE'S RETORT.

London, Jan. 22.
A CONTROVERSIAL note was struck, says Reuter's Ballarat correspondent, when the Ballarat Cricket Association welcomed the M.C.C. team at lunch yesterday.

In proposing the tourists' health, the Deputy Mayor, Mr. J. Harrison, said he recognised that "body-line" bowling was the M.C.C.'s method, but he hoped that Australia would never retaliate and use it themselves, as it would be a bad thing for cricket to use brutal force to suppress skill.

Jardine seemed flabbergasted for the moment, but he completely hit the nail on the head in a slashing reply:

"You, perhaps, are a brave man to debate on the subject at the moment when it is sub judice. It is not my place to debate it. I believe it is said that our cannotibel a cricketer, but I would say you, when considering this question, how many times Larwood has hit the wicket, especially as a fairly familiar cry of the Australian barracker is 'Bow at the wicket!'"

Larwood, in all matches in Australia on the present tour, has taken 30 wickets. He has hit the stumps 15 times; 4 of his victims have been lbw; and 11 caught.

LORD HAWKE ON PLAYER-WRITER.

**Jack Hobbs Criticised
For His Reports.**

"NEWS CHRONICLE'S" REPLY IN EDITORIAL.

London, Jan. 26.

Referring to player-writers, at a meeting of the Yorkshire Cricket Club, Lord Hawke said that he had no objection to players writing about the game in general, but every objection to their writing about matches in which they were playing.

When a player like Hobbs, who has been Sutcliffe's partner in tests for 10 years, and who owes not a little of his own success to Sutcliffe's fine play and splendid judgment in running singles, can describe Sutcliffe's innings in the first test of the present series as "pottering along," and as not having many strokes to lend variety to his play, and so "causing boredom," the time has arrived for such ungenerous criticism to be rendered impossible. I am not sure that Hobbs does not owe an unqualified apology both to Yorkshire and to Sutcliffe."

The News Chronicle, in an editorial answer says: "Lord Hawke's allegation that Hobbs ungenerously criticised Sutcliffe is confounded by Hobbs's own cables, which abound with generous references to the great Yorkshire player. Lord Hawke's further remarks on the subject are just foolishness."

Lord Hawke strongly condemned the Lancashire League's importation of dominion cricketers, which, he said, was detrimental to international cricket. "New Zealand had no sooner come into the test match arena," he said, "than three of her players were taken. We might yet learn that C. V. Grimmett is coming to Lancashire."

L. Darling (Victoria)

DARLING was born on August 14, 1909. He is a left hand batsman, a useful change bowler (right hand) and a dashing fieldsman. He first came under notice for the Victorian Colts against South Australia in January, 1927, but for a while did not live up to his early promise. Last season, however, he did remarkably well. He scored 512 runs in 13 innings (twice not out), averaging 46.46. He has many delightful strokes and uses his feet well. This season, Darling has scored 185 against Queensland. In the return match he scored 122 runs in 13 innings (twice not out), averaging 46.46. He has already made three appearances against the M.C.C., making 4 runs for his State. In the Test at Brisbane he scored 17 and 20.

E. L.

CHINESE SPORT PAGE
**TSUI & TAM
FAVoured
FOR FINAL**

Cassumbhoy's Triumph
Over Lai.

**GOLDMAN AND LEONARD
ELIMINATED**

(By Ace.)

Three surprises were recorded in the Open Singles Championship yesterday when Lai Kwong-tsun, L. Goldman and J. W. Leonard were eliminated. All three players were expected to reach the quarter finals, but each disappointed his supporters by careless and listless exhibitions.

Tam Yoc-fong, the Hanoi champion, smashed his way to victory over "Lolly" Goldman, the Club champion. The Chinese player's forehand was working admirably, and it was in this department that he excelled, his back-hand being surprisingly poor. Goldman, however, played into his hands by preferring a base-line duel instead of attempting to entice his opponent to the net where he was noticeably weak. His carelessness also paved the way for Tam.

Goldman played below standard, but he fought desperately hard for the first set. His overhead work, however, failed him at crucial moments, and he was played to a stand still before Tam won at 8-6. After the first set the game was a walk over, for Goldman was tiring rapidly, in the face of well placed and good length forehand driving, while Tam was gaining confidence with every game.

Tam will now meet either M. W. Lo or Wong Fook-nam for right of entry into the Semi-Final Round, and I think he will just win. He will be altogether too fast for Lo, the 1929 champion. He will probably figure in the Final.

The brilliant overhead work of J. A. E. Cassumbhoy, coupled with his remarkable steadiness, completely demoralised Lai Kwong-tsun, the 1932 Malayan finalist, and he was well beaten in straight sets.

Lai was careless and his shots lacked the necessary sting to trouble his versatile opponent. He greatly disappointed against a left-handed player who puzzled him throughout. His play at the net was weak, while he often allowed Cassumbhoy to draw him to the net to be beaten easily by a deep lob.

Cassumbhoy will now meet either Lu Tak-cheuk or D. S. Green and should easily qualify for the Semi-Final Round.

After commencing his match in a very erratic manner, Denis Hazell, the only entrant who has played at Wimbledon, completely dominated J. W. Leonard in the last two sets.

The loser was well off his game, his shots lacking both pace and positioning, and it was only the numerous mistakes made by Hazell that gave him the first set at 6-4. Instead of forcing home an early advantage Leonard preferred to play steady tennis which allowed his opponent to play at the net. It was Hazell's work overhead that won him the match.

Hazell will now meet Ho Kalaun for right of entry into the quarter finals. If his forehand is working well and he does not allow his impetuosity throw discretion to the winds he should beat his steeper opponent.

Tsui Wai-pui and Sirdar Rumbahn secured easy victories to qualify to meet one another in the quarter finals.

Y. Hachiuma, the only Japanese entrant, had the champion guessing once or twice, but his volleying and base line game were below standard. Tsui easily accounted for H. J. Armstrong, the Club player, his spin and aggressive forehand drive completely breaking up Armstrong's game.

Tsui will beat Ramjaha, in my opinion, and will go on to win the title. His base line game is better than Ramjaha's, and his control over both his forehand and backhand strokes will cause the champion to remain away from the net. Ramjaha is the steeper player, and there lies the danger.

THE RESULTS.

THE following were the detailed scores:

Open Singles—Third Round.

Tam Yoc-fong beat L. Goldman 8-6, 6-1.

J. A. Cassumbhoy beat Lai Kwong-tsun 6-4, 6-3.

S. A. Rumjaha beat Y. Hachiuma 6-1, 6-4.

Tsui Wai-pui beat H. J. Armstrong 6-1, 6-2.

Open Doubles—Second Round.

D. H. Hazell beat J. W. Leonard 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Open Doubles—Second Round.

In Tak-cheuk and Lu Tak-jam beat Ng Kam-chuen and Tao Ping-fan 4-6, 6-3, 7-5.

Club Championship—First Round.

F. C. Hyde beat J. H. McBride 6-4, 6-3.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS
Interesting Doubles Programme.
C. R. C. CHAMPIONS' DEBUT

A interesting Open Doubles programme has been drawn up for to-day when three very fine combinations will be seen in action.

Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit, the Chinese R.C. pair who beat the Rumjaha cousins in the "A" Division of the League last summer, are making their debut. They should easily account for a very much younger and more inexperienced pair in Leonard and Hachiuma. The former player is definitely off form at the moment as his game against Cassumbhoy yesterday clearly showed, and Hachiuma can hardly be expected to hold the Chinese pair by himself.

Goldman and Fischer, last year's finalists, should beat Monaghan and Holmes by a comfortable margin, though their indifferent display against Lee Wai-toi and Luk Ding-cheong in the First Round has given no cause for optimism regarding their challenge for the title this year.

Ng Sze-kwong and Tsui Wai-pui, the happy blending of experience and youth, should overcome W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu, the C.R.C. "B" Division pair, though an upset would occasion no surprise. If the latter gain the advantage Cassumbhoy and Razack did in the First Round, they can be depended on to force it to a draw.

Hazell and Williams should account for Chan So and Ho Wai-hing, while F. H. Kwock and S. W. Liang should also enter the Third Round.

There are only two singles matches. Lu Tak-cheuk should beat D. S. Green, the K.C.C. "B" Division player, and M. W. Lo should encounter little difficulty against Wong Fuk-nam, though the latter's powers of recovery are extraordinarily good.

TO-DAY'S GAMES.

THE following are to-day's games forecasted:

Open Singles—Third Round.

D. S. Green v Lu Tak-cheuk.

Wong Fuk-nam v M. W. Lo.

Open Doubles—Second Round.

Chan So and Ho Wai-hing v D. H. Hazell and W. E. Williams.

G. Gamble and C. A. Wright v F. H. Kwock and S. W. Liang.

L. Goldman and E. C. Fischer v T. C. Monaghan and C. E. Holmes.

Ng Sze-kwong and Tsui Wai-pui v W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu.

Open Doubles—First Round.

Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit v J. W. Leonard and Y. Hachiuma.

ITALIAN STARS WIN.

SOUTH INDIA LOSE BY ODD MATCH.

Madras, February 4. The Italian tennis team won the "Tent" match against South India here to-day by 3 matches to 2.

The following were the results: Sertorio (Italy) beat C. Ramaswami 6-0, 6-1.

Stefani (Italy) beat Balagopal 6-4, 6-6, 6-8.

Balagopal (S. India) beat Sertorio 6-8, 6-2.

Stefani (Italy) beat C. Ramaswami 6-1, 6-4.

Balagopal and Ramaswami (S. India) beat Del Boni and De O. Sian 6-4, 6-4.

GRAND NATIONAL STARTERS
Early Acceptances And Weights.

London, February 1.

THE acceptances with weights for the Grand National, to be run on March 24, are as follows:

Gregalach 12.7

Grackle 12.3

Coup de Chapeau 12.2

Golden Miller 12.2

Shaungolin 12.1

Remus 11.12

Huioolloa 11.11

Kellsboro Jack 11.9

Heartbreak Hill 11.9

Colliery Band 11.9

Forbra 11.9

Flambent 11.8

Alpine Hut 11.6

Trouble Maker 11.6

Solanum 11.5

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Martencito 11.4

Inverse 11.4

Merriment Fourth 11.4

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Clydesdale 11.2

Tracadero 11.2

Egremont 11.1

Ballybrack 11.0

Holmes 10.13

Long Eagle II 10.13

Southern Hero 10.12

Impudent Barney 10.12

Annandale 10.10

Therese Apostasy 10.9

Society 10.8

Ottawa 10.7

Master Orange 10.7

Nearest 10.7

Slater 10.7

Cold Punch 10.7

Aspirant 10.7

Really True 10.7

Pelorus Jack 10.7

Chaddesford 10.7

Ruin 10.7

You Tell 10.7

Rockhill II 10.7

Ballyhanwood 10.7

Ox Close 10.7

Steady Johnny 10.7

Guiding Light 10.7

Quiet Calm 10.7

Smokymoke 10.7

The Ace II 10.7

ACCIDENT TO ROCKHILL.

London, February 7. In the Warwick Upton Handicap steeplechase to-day the Grand National candidate, Mr. Villar's Rockhill II fell and had to be destroyed. The accident occurred at the water jump in front of the stands when Rockhill was lying second. The jockey was not hurt.

Johnson

Recovering

Mr. J. E. NORONHA SUSTAINS

FRACTURED RIB

Recoveries From Concussion

Mr. J. E. Noronha is pro-

gressing well in the French

Convent Hospital. He was re-

covered from the concussion

sustained when he fell from

Snappy Eve in the last race on

Wednesday, but is suffering

from a fractured rib.

It is doubtful whether he will

be able to ride again before the

second half of the season.

HANDICAP RACE EVENTS
TO-MORROW
Classification And
Weights.

The following are the weights

and classifications in the four

handicap races on to-morrow's

programme:

The Griffins Spring Handicap: "A"

Class—Coo Coo Bay (165); Mayflower (161); Mignonne (160); Poker Face (148); Solar Star (148); Spotted Patter (150); Stourbridge (165); Street Singer (101); Tenorio (163); The Cavalier (165).

The Griffins Spring Handicap: "B"

Class—Booble (168); Double Face (160); Eak (161); Poolcap (163); Glen Shee (155); Golly Eyes (155); Good in Good (151); Hazel Leaf (161); Jack Sharkey (165); King's Company (156); Magnolia (156); Maria Petra (156); Perse (158); Spotted Leaf (148); Stickup (160); The Round-head (166); Wayward Star (166); Widnows (158); Wigan (158).

The Happy Valley Spring Handi-

cap: "A" Class—Daylight Eve (145); Dee (140); Don (155); Gold Key (155); Indiana (140); King's County (1



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THE FRONTIER GUARDS

(Continued from Page 7.)

"You mustn't imagine that you can go into a disturbed spot such as this and expect to see about ten ghosts in as many minutes. Even in the case of such a busy hive as Paitton there are many quiet periods, and some people simply cannot see ghosts." The odds are very much against your desire being granted, though, if you are psychic, the atmosphere of the place would affect you at once."

"How?"

"Well, you've often heard of people who know by some obscure but infallible instinct that there's eat in the room. Just so. However, I'll certainly give you the chance. It won't seriously disturb me. I can get the key in the morning from the woman who looks after it, though I need hardly say she doesn't sleep there. There is no need for a caretaker. It was broken into once, but the burglar was found dead in the dining-room, and since then the crooks have given it a wide birth."

"It really is dangerous, then?"

"Beginning to feel a bit prudent?"

"No, I shall feel safe with you."

"Very well then. After coming back from golf we'll pay it a visit. It will be dark by five, and we'll make the excursion about six. The chances of gratifying your curiosity will be better after dark. I'd better tell you something else. I never quite know how these places are going to affect me. Before now, I have gone off into a kind of trance and been decidedly weird, my dear Jim. My sense of time and space becomes distorted, though for your assurance I may say," he added, smiling, "I am never dangerous when in this condition. Furthermore, you must be prepared to make acquaintance with a mode of existence in which the ordinary laws of existence which you have always known abdicate themselves. Bierce called his famous book of ghost stories, 'Can These Things Be?' Assuredly they can. Now I'm sounding pompous and pontifical, but some such warning is necessary. When I touch that front door to-morrow I may become in a sense a stranger to you; once inside we shall cross a frontier into a region with its own laws of time and space, and where the seemingly impossible can happen... Do you understand what I mean and still want to go?"

"Yes," replied Brinton, "to all your questions."

"Very well then," said Lander, "I will now get out the chess-men and discover a complete answer to Reti's opening which you sprang on me last night; so you shall have the white pieces."

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November 21 was a lazy, drowsy, cloudless day, starting with a sharp ground frost, which, thawing unwillingly as the sun climbed, made the trees at Ellesborough like tiny slides. In consequence neither Brinton nor Lander played very good golf. This upset Brinton not at all, for he was thinking much more of that which was beginning to impress him as a possible ordeal, the crossing of the threshold of Paitton a few hours later. As they finished their second round a mist, spreading like a gigantic spider's web was beginning to raise the level of the Buckinghamshire fields. As they walked homewards it climbed

with them, keeping pace with them like a dog; sometimes hurrying ahead, then dropping back, but always with them.

It was exactly five o'clock when they reached Laymer's. Tea was ready. "Do you still want to go, Jim?" asked Lander abruptly.

"Sure, Bol!" replied Brinton lightly.

"Here's the key," said Lander, smiling, "the Open Sesame to the Chamber of Horrors. The electric light is turned off, so all the light we shall have will be produced by my torch. One last word of advice. If you want to get the best chance of a thrill, try to keep your mind quite empty—don't talk as I personally conduct this tour. Concentrate on not concentrating.

"I understand what you mean," said Brinton.

"Well, then, let's get a move on," said Lander.

An idea suddenly occurred to Brinton. "How will you be able to show me over it if you've never been inside it?"

"You needn't worry about that," replied Lander.

The fog was thick by now, and they wavered slightly as they groped their way down the lane, compressed by high hedges, which led to Paitton. When they reached it Brinton's eyes turned up to observe the windows on the second floor. And then Lander stepped forward and placed the key in the lock.

As the door swung open the fog, which seemed to have been crouching at his heels, leapt forward and entered with him, and inundated the passage down which he moved. The moment he was inside, something advanced to meet him. He opened a door on the left of the passage and flashed his torch round it. The fog was in there, too. Jim, he could feel, was at his elbow.

"This is where they found the burglar—it's the dining-room."

His voice was not quite under control. "Quite a pleasant room; smells a bit frosty."

The little beam wandered from chair to desk, settling for a moment here and there. Then he shut the door and stepped along the passage till the little beam revealed a flight of stairs, which he began to climb. He still heard Brinton's steps coming up behind him. Up on the first floor he opened another door. "This is the drawing room," he said. "The Proctors' cook was found dead here in 1921." Round swung the tiny beam, fastening on chairs, tables, desks, curtains. He shut the door, and began to climb another flight of stairs. He could hear Jim's feet patterning up behind him. On the second floor he opened still another door. "This, my dear Jim, is the nasty one; it was from here Amy Pendexter fell and broke her neck."

His voice had risen slightly, and he was speaking quickly. Once again he dashed his torch over chairs, tables, curtains, and ahead.

"Well, Jim, do you get any reaction? Do you? You can speak now."

As there was no answer, he turned, and swung the beam of his torch on to the person just behind him. But it wasn't Brinton who was standing at his elbow.

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"What's the matter, Willie?" asked Brinton.

"Can't you find the keyhole?" The figure in front of him remained motionless.

"Can't you find the keyhole?" asked Brinton more urgently.

As the figure still remained motionless, Jim Brinton lit match and peered forward. . . . And then he reeled back.

"Who, in God's name, are you?" he cried.

HONG KONG TIDES

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| NELLORE | 7,000 | 6th Apr. |
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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

12.30 p.m.—European programme of recorded music from Z.B.W.'s Library.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.
2 p.m.—Close Down.
4.30-7 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
7-10.30 p.m.—European programme.
7.18 p.m.—Selections by De Groot & His Orchestra.
Fantasia on Scottish Aires (arr. Mulder)
Trauma (Wagner)
Autumn (Chaminade)
7.18 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.
7.30-7.50 p.m.—From the Studio, etc.

A Pianoforte recital by Mr. Taylorson.
1. Canadian Capers (Chandler)
2. Sleepy Piano (Mayer)
3. Kitten on the Keys (By request) (Confrey)
5. Study in Blue (Savino)
6. "Something to do with Spring" & "Let's Say Goodbye" from "Words & Music" (Noel Coward)
7. A few Melodies—Old and New.
7.50-8.55 p.m.—A Concert.
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

Instrumental—

Gavotte—Transcription (Gluck-Brahms)

Barcarolle—Transcription (Tschaikowsky)

Lener String Quartet.

Song—

Annie Laurie (Burns)

Mary Garden (Soprano)

Violin Solo—

Cavatina (Raff)

Hungarian Dance No. 2 in D Minor (Bruch-Joachim)

Arthur Catterall.

Song—

The Boatmen (Harris)

The Three Ravens (arr. Kennedy Scott)

John Goss & the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

Piano Solo—

Rigolletto—Paraphrase de Concert (Verdi-Liszt)

Alfred Cortot.

Song—

There is a Tavern in the Town (Traditional)

(a) Vive la Compagnie

(b) When Johnny Comes Marching Home (Traditional)

Harold Williams & the B.B.C. Male Chorus.

Violin Solo—

The Maiden with Flaxen Hair (Debussy-Hartmann)

Boating (Debussy)

Fritz Kreisler.

Song—

Do Not Go, my Love (Hagmann)

Phyllis Has Such Charming Graces (arr. Lane Wilson)

Tudor Davies (Tenor)

8.55-9.30 p.m.—Variety.

For Trot—

Contented Sweetheart Hour

Don Bostor & His Orch. 24185.

Song—

I'll Follow You How Deep Is The Ocean

Ethel Merman 24140.

Orchestra—

A Study in Blue

Manhattan Moonlight

Victor Concert Orch. 36037.

Song—

Tramps At Sea

Cuban Love Song

Lawrence Tibbett DA1251.

Tango—

Duck

Old Maid

Argentine Tupica Orchestra D5357.

9.30-10.30 p.m.—Classical Programme.

Orchestra—

Egmont Overture (Beethoven)

New Light Symphony Orchestra

Orchestra No. 2 in B Minor for Flutes and Strings (Bach)

Willem Mengelberg & His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

Concerto in A Major (no. 5) for Violin (Mozart)

Arthur Catterall (Violin) and Orch. conducted by Hamilton Hartley.

1st Movement—Allegro Aperito

2nd Movement—Adagio

3rd Movement—Tempo di Menuetto—Allegro.

(This Suite is kindly loaned by a friend.)

10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes, except where otherwise stated, are from Z.B.W. Library.

The Studio programme between 5.30 & 7.15 p.m. may, on any day, be replaced by a relay from England, reception of the latter happens to good.

BOUGHT FOR THE EAST.

The shipping firm of William Crosby and Co., Ltd., Melbourne, has purchased the 9,000-ton steamer Waitamata from the Union Steamship Co. The announcement was made by the managing director (Mr. W. H. Swanton), who returned from New Zealand recently. The Waitamata will most probably be used in the trades with the East and is expected to begin the service early this year.

ARRIVAL OF SHIPS

Wed., Feb. 22. Muensterland, German str., 3,873 tons, Capt. Wulweber, from Manila, buoy No. A11—Jebson & Co.

CLEARANCES

February Wednesday 23.

Arendskeer, for Singapore.

Chak Sang, for Canton.

Chekiang, for Canton.

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Halids, for Swatow.

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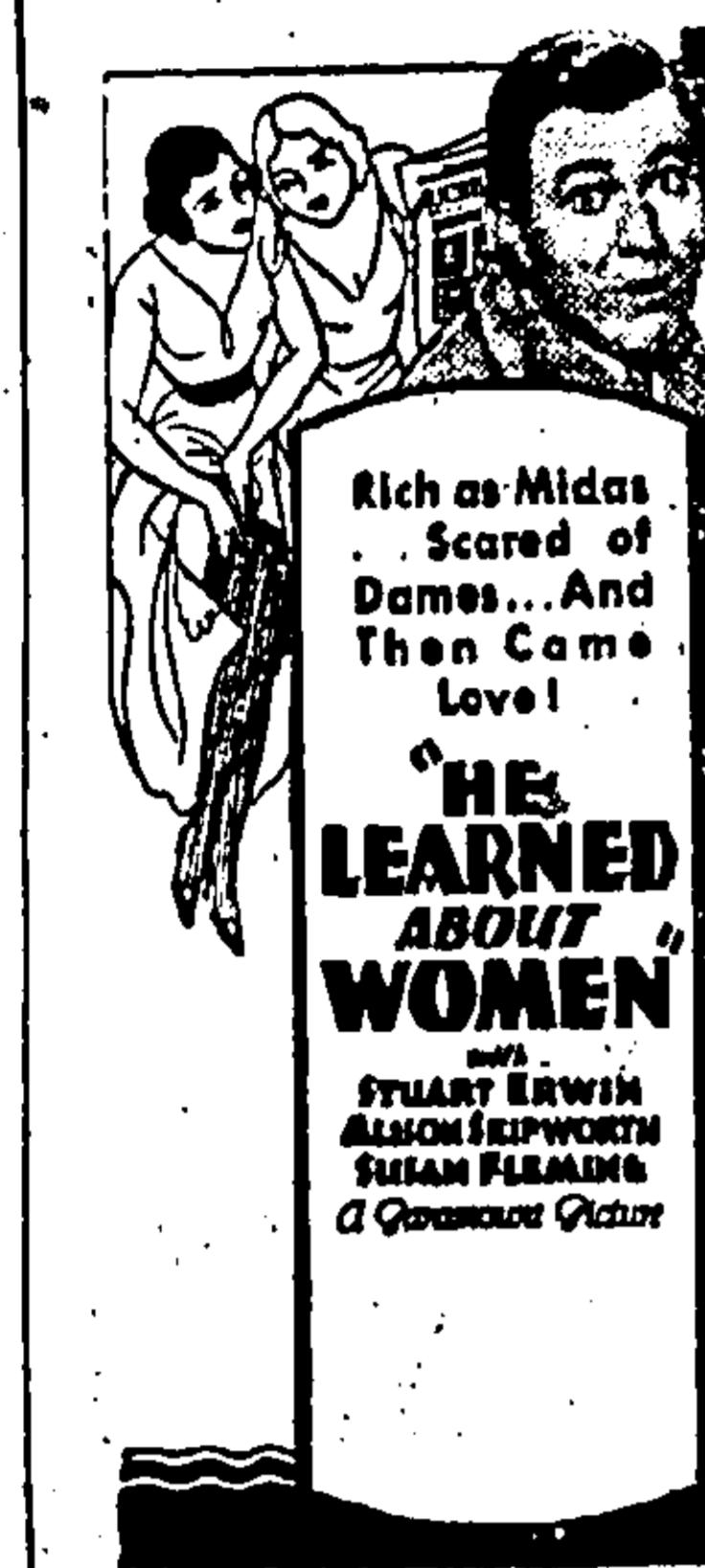
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ABOUT LOVE . . . THAN
ALL THE BOOKS HE EVER
READ!There's a new Command in the
World. Smashing at the Life,
the Morals, the very LOVE of
Millions. Does it threaten YOU?

Rich as Midas
Scared of
Domes... And
Then Came
Love!
"HE LEARNED
ABOUT
WOMEN"

STUART EWING
ALICE KERWORTH
SUSAN FLEMING
A Godey-Loring PictureTAKE ANY TRAIN OR HAPPY VALLEY BUS
ORIENTAL THEATRE

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Why play in the
Game of
Chance?See MOTHER
And SONA STORY OF
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MAJESTIC THEATRE TO-DAY & TO-MORROW
AT 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 P.M.

The OLD DARK HOUSE

A UNIVERSAL PICTURE

Prepared by Carl Laemmle

Directed by

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